be made to introduce direct dialling telecommunication links between India and Bangladesh as early as possible.

News-item captioned "A run on Antiques"

731. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the "Blitz' of the 31st January, 1987 captioned "A run on antiques";

(b) if so, what is the number of such cases unearthed during the last one year, and

(c) what action Government have taken in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the last one year, the Delhi Police had unearthed one case.

(c) A case has been registered and a person, who is alleged to be a receiver of stolen idols, was arrested.

Recovery of a 12th Century black stone

732. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report which appeared in the Hindustan Times of the 20th January, 1987 to the effect that a 12th Century black stone Garuda statue worth a few lakh rupees in the antique market was recovered from a gang of international smugglers in New Delhi;

(b) whether any arrest has since been made; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Two members of an Interstate gang were arrested on 24th January and another member has been arrested on 25th January, 1987. They are presently in judicial custody.

Population of Goa

733. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the population of Goa;

(b) what is the mother tongue of Goans; and

(c) how many people speak Marathi in Goa?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) The population of the Union Territory of Goa, Daman and Diu and the district of Goa according to 1981 Census are 1,086,730 and 1,007,749 respectively.

(b) and (c) The Language/Mother Tongue data of the Union Territory of Goa, aman and Diu according to 1981 Census are not available.

Refugees settled in different States

734. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated number of refugees, separately from Pakistan, Pak-occupied Kashmir, Tibet, Burma, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka who have entered India during the last 3 years;

(b) how many out of them have been settled in different States and Union Territories and also how many of them are still to be settled; separately; and

(c) what is the estimated number out of them who are likely to be